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S T O R Y

One day, there is a handsome  
school student, the  
asymmetrical smile  
being on only  
always do  
in all of an order  
Maya, who  
to pick on  
with  
he's ever  
might be.



mekuryu kobanjo  
小嶋めばるの本

● 電子ブックと紙の本  
両方ある本

さわって、とくして、  
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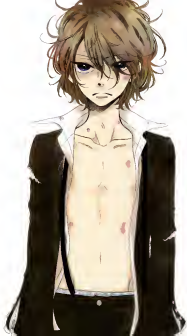
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MARQUE NOBATO PRESENTS

小鳩めばる









時を越えて  
また

★ A Little More Than Yesterday ★





Enova yozma Sakshi dake







Please take  
good care  
of me!

Good afternoon,  
Chiro-  
Sawell!

Aah you're  
beautiful  
today too

my  
beloved

You're  
also...



yes,  
HELLO.



today too.

very cold.

One day  
instead of  
that scary  
old lady,

the one  
who comes  
out in her  
plaid apron...

I always  
come in for  
the usual  
shade-up

I'm a  
regular  
here.



this beautiful  
person with  
flowing  
black hair!

LAST  
AFTERNOON

IS THIS  
YOUR FIRST  
HAIR?

Ever done  
them...

I like  
you!

For the  
first time in  
my life,  
I fell in love  
at first sight

and  
so right  
away I...





BUT IT'S  
ONLY MY  
FIRST YEAR  
SO I AM STILL  
A NEWBIE!

YES!

HARUFUSA-SAN  
POSSIBLE A  
GRADE SCHOOL  
TEACHER  
RIGHT?



I have  
yet to see  
that smile  
again.



YOU HAVE  
SO NEW  
CENTERS

YOUR  
TEETH ARE  
REMARKABLY  
WHITE!

FROM THE  
LOOKS  
OF IT.



I'VE BEEN  
PRETTY BUSY  
LATELY SO I  
DON'T HAVE  
TIME TO  
BRUSH THEM  
THOROUGHLY

OH  
DARN  
WELL...

HAVE  
YOU BEEN  
POUNING YOUR  
TEETH LIKE I  
"TOLD" YOU NOT?



YOU'RE  
SAYING THAT  
YOU WANT  
ALL YOUR TEETH  
TO BEGONE  
GET PULLED  
OUT.

AND BE  
REPLACED  
WITH  
DENTURES?

IN OTHER  
WORDS,  
HARUFUSA-  
SAN...



THE NEXT  
TIME YOU  
COME IN LIKE  
THIS.

I'LL  
PULL OUT  
EVERY SINGLE ONE  
OF YOUR TEETH.  
GET IT?

It always  
suits  
terrible  
things.

that are  
as unbecoming  
of a face  
as horrid  
as it...

Just...  
DON'T  
MEAN...?

OF  
COURSE  
NOT.

IF YOU  
HAD TOO  
MANY CHAIRS  
OR PAIR OF  
TEETH...

IT'D BE  
A GOOD  
EXAMPLE  
FOR YOUR  
STUDENTS,  
RIGHT?

It's  
funny.



COULD  
HE EVEN  
UNDERSTAND  
HOW MUCH  
I LOVE HIM?

Cracking  
my heart.

that's  
only filled  
with love  
for him.



BECAUSE  
IS THAT  
IT?

WELL, THE  
REASON  
WHY YOU  
AREN'T BEING  
AGGRESSIVE  
ENOUGH?

HOW?















YOU'RE  
PRETTY GOOD  
WITH KIDS...



RIGHT?



HEY!

WHAT ARE  
YOU SAYING  
ABOUT?

WHA-

SO CUTE!

Look at her!



WELL,  
I AM A  
TEACHER

HOW  
ABOUT YOU  
CHANGING  
GENDER?



BUT I  
NEVER  
KNOW WHAT  
THEY'RE  
THINKING...

SO  
I'M NOT  
GOOD  
WITH THEM

I DON'T  
KNOW  
THAN



I HAVE  
OWNED  
PEOPLE  
FAROOO

HEY?

ANYWAY,  
COME  
HERE.

NEVER  
MIND.

SOME-  
SOMETHING  
LATERON-  
BURY  
AGAIN.

HEY?

EEHHH!!

I GUESS  
YOU DON'T  
KNOW HOW  
TO HOLD  
YOUR TEETH  
PROPERLY.

Oh, thanks  
for helping  
me out  
today.

SO  
THIS IS A  
SPECIAL  
REWARD.



NO ONE  
ELSE IS  
COMING IN.

SO I  
DON'T NEED  
TO BE SO  
FORMAL.

YOU'RE  
SPEAKING  
CASUALLY  
TODAY.

HEY?

OH  
YEAH.

Excuse  
me.

Excuse  
me.

SO  
THIS

CHANGING  
GROOMING...



Oh, so  
I'm working  
to save  
delicious!

You use  
the tooth-  
brush like  
this

But don't  
brush too  
hard!

a really  
good chance  
for me!

a really  
good chance  
for me!



were about  
me than  
I first  
thought!

Made  
to save

I'm  
sorry



WARNING  
YOU ARE A  
TWO-DEGREE-T

JUST ONE  
SMALL  
CAVITY

CAN  
LEAD TO  
ELIMIN OF  
A GREATER  
RISK!

I'm...

DON'T  
BRUSH-  
THAT'S  
CAVEY!

I WON'T BE  
ABLE TO GET  
CHORO-SENSEI  
ALIVE

HAT  
W' I DO  
THAT

Could  
it be  
that...

NO  
LIFE

WORTH  
UP AND TAKE  
BETTER CARE  
OF YOUR  
TEETH

WHAT ELSE  
WOULD YOU  
BE COMING  
HERE?

IF  
COMING  
NOW!

NO  
LIFE  
NO  
LIFE

Could  
it be  
that...

IF YOU  
DON'T  
HAVE ANY  
CAPTAIN

THEN YOU  
WON'T NEED TO  
COME BACK  
RIGHT?

No way—

CHORO-

SENSEI

ENC





FALSE  
NOT

SO  
NOT



CAN'T  
NOT FACE  
NOT

SO  
NOT



NOT A  
CHILD

PERHA-



NOT! NOT  
SOMETHING  
NO CHILDREN

I AM...

5004







WHAT DOES  
ON EVEN OTHER  
ADULTS ARE  
THINKING...

IT'S NOT  
WONDER WHY  
YOU DON'T  
KNOW



I'm seriously...



ON  
DIOT!

WHAT  
THE HELL  
AM I  
SAYING?

WHAT  
SAYING  
IF I SAY  
WHAT?

It's  
right

I really  
am serious

I'm  
serious



I WON'T  
GIVE UP LIKE YOU  
ANYMORE



DON'T  
WORRY



PLEASE



WELL



NOT  
JUST  
THIS  
TIME

BUT  
YOU'VE  
BELIEVED  
ME BEFORE  
TOO



WHEN IT  
JUST  
STARTED  
HAPPENING  
HERE ...

WHEN I  
HAD  
STARTED  
CRYING

AND  
ANYONE  
WENT  
OUT  
TO  
CHECK  
AND  
STARTED  
COMPLAINING



~~~~~

MIGHT I  
MAYBE  
I COULDN'T  
HANDLE IT  
ALL BY  
MYSELF



"What? It's  
McDonald's  
Man?"

Yeah



Look

Going  
into  
the  
shop



AND  
WAS  
ABOUT  
TO  
GET  
SENSE...



...disappeared and everyone started looking...





WIDE AND  
ACROSS...

THE  
FEELING

OF  
WANTING  
TO SEE  
YOU...

HAVE BEEN  
GROWING

EVERY DAY

What?

THAT  
TALK...

EVEN IF  
YOU ARE  
NOT...

My  
head...

WHEN  
YOU TOLD ME  
THAT YOU  
LOVED ME,

I DIDN'T  
KNOW WHAT  
TO DO!

Fight

can I  
keep up!

So all  
of that  
was...



My  
beloved...

Aah...

You're  
just too  
cute

and too  
adorable.



It's  
fine

If you  
take your  
time...

As long  
as you  
end up  
facing me



Good  
night...



Be really is just sleep?

Flowers  
not hurt

I can  
face you  
now?



◆END

# そのとき ひらいて

open your hands











and only  
disappeared

One day,  
that cute  
cuddly  
Shingo



Back  
then,

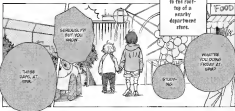
It had  
always been  
my role to  
comfort him

whenever he  
got in trouble  
at home.



One time  
when he  
wouldn't  
stop crying,

I ended up  
taking him  
to the roof-  
top of a  
nearby  
department  
store.



SHINGO! PP  
PP! YOU  
ARE!

THREE  
DAYS, AT  
LEAST

SHINGO-  
PP!

WASN'T  
YOU COMING  
FOOD AT  
LUNCH?

The defender  
of justice.

**Nyan-  
tora  
Man!**

I am the one  
who protects  
the world

From  
evil...

MEOW!





MYSTICISM  
HMM?

YOU'RE NOT  
FIGHTING  
EVA TODAY.

I DON'T  
COME  
TO SEE YOU,  
GAMES!

BYE-BYE,  
YOU CAME  
TO SEE  
ME!

ALL...

kick

WHAA!

YOU WOULD  
BE A  
TEACHER  
RIGHT?

THEN  
WANT  
YOU COME  
HERE  
FORD?

DON'T IT  
OVERTHEAT  
DON'T STAY  
WOMAN.  
FOR YOUR  
LAST TIME  
JOB!

IT'S FINE IF  
YOU'RE NOT  
WOMAN GO  
TO COLLEGE,  
BUT DON'T I  
TELL YOU TO  
AT LEAST  
GRADUATE  
HIGH  
SCHOOL?

THAT  
DON'T  
ABOUT  
ME!

I THINK  
WOMEN HAVE  
A REALLY  
GOOD ONE.

THIS IS  
MY WAY  
FUNK!

I KNOW—

BUT...

BUT...

WELL...

AT LEAST  
TAKE MY  
ADVICE INTO  
CONSIDERATION!

BESIDES, IF  
YOU ONLY  
THINK ABOUT  
FEELING, THEN  
YOU CAN'T  
ACCOMPLISH  
ANYTHING.

BUT I'M  
SAVING UP  
ADVICE,  
AREN'T I?

DON'T YOU GET  
THAT THIS JOB  
ISN'T SOME-  
THING BEARABLE  
ENOUGH FOR  
THE FUTURE?

SHUD-  
DUP!

YOU'RE  
REALLY  
PERSISTENT,  
AREN'T YOU?







someone  
to watch  
over him  
any more.

Things  
don't  
end

And I  
know  
that...

It's...

kind of  
lonely...



NEAR  
IT'S  
FROM  
MY SAFETY  
SCHOOL  
THOUGH

YOU  
DON'T  
LOOK SO  
HAPPY...

YOU KNOW,  
WHEN I  
GOT INTO  
MY FIRST  
COLLEGE  
CHANCE I  
WAS SOOO  
RELIEVED.

IT'S  
IMAGINE  
SO...



BY, IT'S  
HAPPY!

I HEARD  
YOU GOT AN  
ACCEPTANCE  
LETTER FOR  
ONE OF YOUR  
COLLEGE  
CHOICES!



WHA?!

YEAH?

OH RIGHT,  
YOU WERE  
THE SLOWER  
OF THE TWO  
TO PEOPLE..

YEAH..



BY THE WAY,  
SPEAKING OF  
COLLEGE AND  
DANCES, DO  
SUNGJUN  
DECIDE ON  
ANYTHING YET?



YEAH?

EASIER  
SAY THAN  
DOING

He used  
to look  
so  
relieved

whether  
I'd put his  
head..



YOU'RE  
IN CHARGE  
OF SIXTH  
PERIOD, RIGHT?

DO YOU  
EVER GET  
LONELY WHEN  
YOUR HIDE  
STUDENT?



BUT IF  
I ONLY  
THINK  
ABOUT  
THAT

THEN I  
WOULD BE  
ABLE TO  
MOVE ON

YEAH,  
I ALWAYS  
DO

people

I KNOW  
IT JUST  
MAKES  
HOW  
ATTACHED  
I GET TO  
THEM..

I DO  
GET  
SOME  
LONELY,

Whenever  
I'm with  
him, it feels  
like I'm  
floating in  
space.

That  
makes me  
worry  
and  
wonder if  
it's even  
real.

It felt  
like...

...I was able  
to use  
magic to  
heal him.



EVERYONE...

WAS THE  
BEST  
CHILDREN

I'M  
THE  
ONE

I thought...

...that I  
wanted to  
stay like  
that for-  
ever





EAT AS MUCH AS YOU'D LIKE! ♡♡

... ♡ ♡



IT'S FINE.

I HAVEN'T EATEN PET ANYWAY.

SORRY FOR CALLING ALL OF A SUDDEN.

I TOTALLY FORGOT MY BROTHER! WASN'T COMING HOME AND MADE TOO MUCH FOR THEM!



IT'S BEEN A WHILE, RIGHT?

SINCE THE LAST TIME WE HAD A MEAL TOGETHER.



AM...

CHINA COLD-QUARTER...

SO-HOW YOU LIKE THOSE RIGHT?



BEST GIFT!

WANT YOU GET TO EAT SOMETHING YOU LIKE! ♡



YEAH!

WE USED TO BE TOGETHER ALL THE TIME!

TO TAST SOY!



Yeah,  
you're  
right.



But we  
can't be  
like that  
anymore.



Are —

cough  
cough

Are you  
coughing  
anymore?

!

And he  
said he'd  
introduce  
me to Tami  
next time!

This guy at  
my party that  
Joe knows  
someone from  
an acting  
troupe in the  
city nearby.

Oh!

Oh-right!  
Did I tell  
you?

Wait?

Guulp



Someone  
like  
Myouma  
Man...

...and  
wanting  
to join an  
acting  
troupe.

I've always  
thought he  
wasn't being  
serious, that  
he was just  
saying those  
things.



cough

cough

HERE,  
AN-KUN!

DRINK SOME  
MILK!



Without

I think I've  
become LIVE  
BY MYSELF  
IN THE CITY  
LAUREY...

...because of  
this...

my  
world!

The comfort  
of my hand  
patting his  
head.

AFTER I  
GRADUATE  
FROM HIGH  
SCHOOL...



I'VE  
BEEN  
ASKING

Does he...

EVERY  
TIME I SEE  
HER AT  
WORK...

...really have  
his heart set  
on it?

It's...

...ah-hungry

The sea...

...who  
actually  
needs a  
comforting  
hand .

WAITED  
THE WHOLE  
YOU WANT

DON'T  
JUST  
SAY

WHY DON'T  
YOU DRYING-  
LIKE YOU  
USED TO?

HAH?

ALL  
DRYING-UP AND  
INDEPENDENT .

WHA'D  
YOU HAVE  
TO TURN  
OUT LIKE  
THIS?

IT'S SO  
LAME...





NO-POSS...

IF NOT...



IF YOU  
WANTED TO

GROW UP  
AND LEAVE  
AM NO  
BUDDY...

...TALK  
JUST WASTES  
UP AND GO!



LET GO OF  
MY ARM!

DON'T  
YOU  
EVER...

SHUT UP

AK-KUN,  
IT'S NOT LIKE  
YOU TO SAY  
SOMETHING  
SO SELFISH...

I KNOW IT'S  
IMPOSSIBLE  
FOR THINGS  
TO BE LIKE  
THAT...

WE'RE  
NOT EVEN  
ADJACENT...

AND I  
KNOW WE  
CAN'T  
ALWAYS BE  
TOGETHER  
ALL THE  
TIME...

But  
this...

...is the  
first time  
I've ever  
felt...

...that I could just  
stop caring about  
what is real or  
reasonable.

IT'S SO  
UNREALISTIC...





I DON'T  
KNOW.

I think that  
I really like  
the feeling  
of...



...JUST

IT HAD TO  
BE YOU

...floating  
in space.



GO  
AWAY

THE  
ONLY ONE?

AND HERE I  
THOUGHT I  
WAS THE  
ONLY ONE!

JUST  
SO YOU  
KNOW,

I LIED ABOUT  
ACCIDENTALLY  
MAKING TOO  
MUCH FOR  
OWNER.

WHAT  
?!

I NEVER  
TOLD YOU

CAUSE  
I DIDN'T KNOW  
WHAT TO DO IF  
YOU REJECTED  
ME...



SORRY,  
BUT

I'M THE ONE  
WHO STARTED  
LIKING YOU  
FIRST!

I PURPOSELY  
WENT THROUGH  
YOUR LIFE AND  
THEN PARTED  
FOR YOU TO  
SHOW UP

SLASH







...how big  
your hands  
get

I will...

...always...



THANK  
GUYS

REALLY  
Havent  
DANCED  
AT ALL

OPEN YOUR HANDS ♣END



SANNO~!

I'M  
SO-CRY  
I'VEED  
ME~!



HAH~



Ijiwaru na Kuchizuke  
いじわるな・くちづけ



...when I  
was little, I  
got picked  
on.

Over...

I was moved by  
my friend's older  
brother.



Ever since  
then...

"You okay?  
Don't mind  
'em, they're  
just mean  
kids."



It'd be  
awesome



...the idea  
of having  
an older  
brother...

...has become  
the focus of my  
adoration.

...if I had an  
older brother.

NIKE!

HOW  
ARE  
YAT?

GOTTEN  
USED TO  
TOKYO  
YET?

YEAH

VERY

IF YOU'RE  
FREE, WAKKA  
COME OVER  
TO MY HOUSE  
LATER?

VERY

YOU  
HAVE AN  
OLDER  
BROTHER?

OH

BUT THE  
MISO SOUP YOU  
GUYS DRINK  
HAS A REALLY  
DIFFERENT  
COLOR HERE

A  
ha  
ha



Of-  
of  
course  
I'll go!

LIVE AWAY WITH  
MY PARENTS  
WORK OVERSEAS  
SO I LIVE ALONE  
WITH MY OLDER  
BROTHER!

TRANSFERRING  
SCHOOL IS  
SURELY  
CAUSED BY A  
LOT OF TROUBLE  
THOUGH!

IT'S FINE  
CAN'T HELP IT  
IF THE CIRCUM-  
STANCES ARE  
CAUSED BY MY  
PARENTS  
TOO MUCH

Perks

THAT  
DID WAS  
REALLY  
FUNNY

I KNOW,  
RIGHT?  
TOLD YA!

YEAH,  
I WAS  
LAUGHING  
SO HARD.

I wonder what  
Shingo's brother  
is like.

DUDE!

CAN YOU  
JUST GET  
DOWN AND  
CHILL OUT  
A BIT?

SHINGO, DO  
YOU ALWAYS  
DO ALL THE  
COOKING?

I JUST  
STARTED,  
SO IT'S  
GONNA BE  
A WHILE.

YOUR  
FRIEND?

WUPE  
THAT?

YEP!

DINNER  
READY  
YET?

SHINGO.

CREAK



WHEN...

6-0000  
EVENING...

IT'S NICE  
TO MEET  
YOU!

Let's  
play  
your  
hardcore  
Hentai Music!



OH,  
ARISE,

THIS IS MY OLDER  
BROTHER!



EH? OH,  
IT'S  
Y-YES...

Y-YES?

HAT...

DOES  
THAT  
MEAN...



SOMEONE  
CALLED HIM  
"NAME" AND  
SAID HE  
LOOKED LIKE  
A CAT

SO EVER  
SINCE THEN,  
THAT'S  
BEEN HIS  
NICKNAME!

WHY  
DOES HE  
KEEP STARR-  
ING AT ME  
LIKE THAT?



HAHA...

WHAT'S  
YOUR  
FIRST  
NAME?



STARE

HE...  
HE...?

OH

MY  
NAME'S  
ACTUALLY  
NERO-  
GURA.





The worst day

ARRR!



YOU LIKE  
VIDEO GAMES  
RIGHT?

I JUST  
BOUGHT A  
NEW ONE!  
WANNA COME  
OVER AND  
PLAY IT WITH  
ME?



ONLY...

ARRR...

I can't  
just tell  
him that  
I won't  
come  
over...

...because  
I don't  
want to  
see his  
brother.

YAY!

LET'S  
HAVE YOUR  
FAVORITE,  
GARLIC  
RICE, FOR  
DINNER!



I wish...

HA-IT?



Arising and  
have things  
games and  
music right...

That's  
right

JOHN'S EYES

...I can  
overcome  
anything



What is  
with this  
guy!!

ONE-GAAL  
STOP  
ALREADY!

What?

WHY IS  
EATING  
LAUGHING  
TOOTH?

My ideal  
image of  
an older  
brother...

...has  
just been  
crushed.





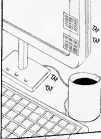
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HE'S WORKING ON HIS COMPUTER...



HE'S DIFFERENT FROM BEFORE...



WELL, DID YOU WANT AN OLDER BROTHER?

WELL, YES, I'M AN ONLY CHILD

BUT I DON'T WANT ONE LIKE YOU!

HA HA!



SUCH

SML

MY IMAGE OF AN OLDER BROTHER...



This room...

It has an adult atmosphere to it.

clap

clap









YUJI  
IS WAY  
CUTER.

YUJI

LIKE  
EVERYBODY  
ELSE!

JUST  
CALL ME  
ARIKI

WHAT?

STOP IT  
ALREADY!

Y-YOU!

Why is...

HEY,

YOU  
CALLED  
ME BY MY  
NAME!

THAT'S  
CAUSE YOU  
SAID...!

MAKAI!



W-W-W-W-W

W-W-W-W-W

MORE

I HEARD  
CALL YOU  
YUJI



!



YOUR  
FACE IS  
BRIGHT  
RED.





YOU  
REALLY  
ARE

CUTE.

...MY  
HEART...

beating  
so fast?



HEY,

COME  
OVER  
AGAIN  
SOMETIME.

YEAH...

KISS

After  
that,

my mind  
went blank.

M-  
MAYA  
...!





HE JUST  
SAID TO  
WAIT FOR  
HIM IN MY  
ROOM.

SHINGO  
FORGOT WE  
HAD WORK  
TODAY.

...!



STOP  
IT!

ALLOW  
ME TO  
MEET YOUR  
EXPECTA-  
TIONS.

I'M GOING  
TO ATTACK! ♡



YOU'RE  
WAY TOO  
SKINNY...



Myers  
Room

The stupid  
brother and I  
are alone

DO YOU  
THINK I'M  
GONNA  
ATTACK  
YOU?







HMM...



Is he embarrassed?

HIS EARS ARE PURPLE RED!



THAT'S NOT TRUE.

CRASH



WELL, I THOUGHT IT WAS A REALLY GOOD GAME



BOO, YOUNG

AGAIN

HA HA



CRASH

PLUMP



YEAH

HOLD ME



THEN  
GIVE ME  
A KISS.

My  
heart

is  
beating  
really  
fast.

LET-

LET GO  
OF ME!

L

feel  
wired...

...

~  
~

I DON'T  
WANT!

NO!



MM...

...GROWL  
Hm.

Kiss



MM...

YOU  
SUDDEN?

touch



MM

YOU'VE  
GOT A  
SMALL  
MOUTH...



I  
COULDN'T



...from  
Shingo.

Let's  
keep this  
a secret...

I thought...

...I hated him.

Why?

Why  
couldn't I

run away  
from him?



Ijiwaru na kuchiduke





いじわるな  
くちづけ



YUE...

CAN  
YOU...

...CLOSE  
YOUR EYES  
FOR ME?

When  
Maya...

...

...says  
my  
name,

my head  
starts  
spinning.

July 1st









Squeeze

COULD  
SHE BE...

...HIS GIRL-  
FRIEND?

There's...

...a girl?



IT  
WOULDN'T  
BE WEIRD...

...FOR SOME-  
ONE LIKE HIM  
TO HAVE A  
GIRLFRIEND.

Well...

I guess...



...It isn't so  
surprising.



Huh?

MARGE  
LEFT THE  
DOOR  
OPEN...







WHAT?

GIRL-  
FRIEND?

YOU  
MEAN  
THIS  
GUY?

うん

HOW...!

HOW CAN  
YOU TREAT  
YOUR GIRL-  
FRIEND LIKE  
THAT?!

YOU...



BLUSH

COULD IT  
BE THAT  
YOU'RE  
JEALOUS?



HEY MAYA,  
WHO IS  
THIS LITTLE  
GUY? ♡♡

CUTE-♡

SO CUTE♡

NO-

NO WAY,  
YOU IDIOT!



THIS GUY'S  
OLDER THAN  
ME AND HE'S  
MY COUSIN

ADULTS  
ARE SO...

DIZZY



A M-  
MAN?!

I'M  
SAKURA!



WHAT?

OH  
OLDER...?

YES.



THIS  
IS MY ONE-  
CHAN.

A  
MAN.



HEY!  
DON'T  
TELL HIM  
MY REAL  
NAME!

ACTUALLY  
HIS NAME IS  
SAKURU.

ADULTS  
ARE SO...





WHO KNOWS!

from  
this  
guy



DO  
YOU...

...LIKE  
ME?



...is  
completely...



I'LL  
KISS YOU  
AGAIN!

IF YOU  
DON'T TELL  
ME THE  
TRUTH,



Why..?

HOBOBOBO



...come to  
like him so  
much?

Why did L...

I  
DIDN'T...

WAAAAA!  
HII...  
NOOO...!

SOB

SOB

GEEZ...

YOU'RE  
JUST SO...

...and  
sly,  
too.

He's a  
bully...

WAIT!

HM?

I-I  
DON'T  
WANT  
THIS!

WHY'RE  
YOU  
TOUCH-  
ING...

IT'S  
YOUR  
FIRST  
TIME!

FROM  
NOW  
ON...

...I'LL ONLY  
KISS YOU.

Pft...

KISS  
KISS  
KISS











EH?

?



HE WAS  
SOOOO  
CUTE!



OH?

HE'S  
AWAKE!



EH?

ALREADY?

I'M...

GOING  
HOME...



SORRY I  
COULDN'T  
MAKE YOU  
DINNER...

NO,  
NO,  
IT'S  
FINE!



I  
THOUGHT  
YOU WERE  
STAYING  
OVER.







COME  
BACK  
AGAIN.

YUU.

He's  
still...

...a long  
way  
from...



I HATE...

...of an  
older  
brother.

...my  
ideal  
image...

...BULLIES?



Mabuta wo  
Kurikaeshite

Chapter 1



Nabarako we kinkeashite





Otonari was my  
opposite-  
sex best  
in college

and he's  
always  
been a bit  
of a weird  
puzzle.



And  
best



To see  
things up,  
he's pretty  
crazy.

Wow, I feel  
so ridiculous  
+

Another time,  
he said his  
hair was in  
the way and  
then shaved  
his head.

"But  
I want  
to have  
my hair  
cut!"

"Hey, I'm an  
opposite-  
sex best  
friend!  
You can  
cut your  
hair!"

For instance, once  
he suddenly said,  
"Tomorrow, I'm  
Kamurochi  
Kurosaki!" and  
then ran straight  
out of class all the  
way to Kamurochi's  
apartment.



WHEN  
THE PLACE  
FINALLY  
OPENED,  
LET'S  
WORK  
TOGETHER!

But  
during the  
graduation  
ceremony



I started  
OPENING A  
VARIETY  
STORE!

And then  
one day,  
he said

that it was  
another one of  
his spontaneous  
impulses and  
ignored him.

Of course  
people just  
thought





WERE  
YOU A  
GROOM  
BOY?

YES!

I SAID  
I SAID

And his  
wife passing  
away shortly  
thereafter.



He  
getting  
married  
and  
having  
a kid...

YES!

HEY,  
THANKS,  
MARCH-  
TOP!  
YOU  
STILL  
UP  
AT  
THIS  
HOURS?



OH,  
THAT ..

RIGHT.

I



There's no  
way for  
someone  
like me

to be  
a part of  
his life or  
his family.

WELL THEN,  
I'M LEAVING

It was  
complicated  
for you  
too.

THANKS  
AGAIN, SISI!

OH,  
AND KATELINA,  
THINK ABOUT  
WHAT I SAID  
BEFORE,  
OK?

SURE  
THING



Yeah...

HIS GOTTEN  
REALLY HEAVY...  
WHAT HAS HE  
BEEN FEEDING HIM?

IT'S  
CLOSED?

HMP DE  
MARIO  
ALREADY  
ASLEEP?

THUD



...



YOUR  
SISTER REALLY  
SPOILS HIM...

THE TWO OF  
THEM...

THE TWO OF  
THEM...

THE TWO OF  
THEM...

IF HE GETS  
FAT, IT'S  
TOTALLY BE  
HER FAULT



EVERY DAY...

HE SEEMS  
LOOKING MORE  
AND MORE  
LIKE HER...

When I  
walk home with  
Diana, I  
feel right

I know

feel a  
little bit  
lonely





This guy

ARGH!  
IT'S COLD!



already has  
something

deeply  
important  
to him.



WHAT'S  
WITH THIS  
WIND?



As for me...

*omg*





WE'RE  
HERE!

The most  
important  
thing is  
right in front  
of me,

but I can  
never grab  
hold of it

SEE YA  
'GADGROW,  
DUMB!

So I thought,  
as long as he  
was by my  
side...

I'd be fine  
with it.

Shinji  
Kawada







THANKS FOR  
WAITING ME.

WHAT IS  
THIS...?

NOT

I MEAN,  
I'LL GO!

I HIGH-  
TAYED...



YOU  
SHOULD  
COME OVER  
AND DRINK.

SINCE WE'RE  
BOTH TAKING  
THE DAY OFF  
TOMORROW.

HUH?!

I've been to  
his house plenty  
of times...

but I still  
get nervous  
every time I go.

*clap*

*Clap*  
*For the Day*



WELCOME  
HOME DADDY!

I'M  
HO-HE!



It's  
cool!



AREN'T YOU SLEEPING OVER?

!



Ah!  
It's Shin!

HELLO  
AGAIN...



HEY!

YOU'RE  
STILL UP?

I HOPE YOU  
WILL GO TO  
SLEEP NOW!

Yep!



THIS IS  
GONNA BE  
FUN!

IT'LL  
BE THE  
THIRD  
OF MAY!

GO



WHEN HE  
SAID IT LIKE  
THAT...

Yeah, he is!

Really?!



Yeah...





SHE...

TOLD ME

TO GO TO  
AN ORPH.

WELL...

Orphan... something with a girl... that is marriage conditions.



IT'S  
GOTTEN  
KINDA  
SADLY.

AND SHE'S SO  
PERSISTENT!

CALLING ME  
EVERYDAY AND  
STUFF...

BUT IT'S  
SO SAD  
AND I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT TO  
DO...



Wah...

WHAT  
SHOULD I  
DO?



HUH?!

SHE  
SAID THAT  
AMAKOTO NEEDS  
A MOTHER  
AND ALL...  
I NEVER  
THOUGHT  
THIS KIND OF  
THING WOULD  
HAPPEN, BUT  
SHE ALREADY  
BOUGHT A  
PHOTO...





DEADBOYDING  
JUST WENT HOME-  
TAKING I WANT  
RIGHT NOW

TO BE  
ACCIDENT

I'm  
afraid  
to ask...

I'VE  
THOUGHT  
ABOUT IT,

BUT...

I...

ba-  
dum

ba-  
dum



GASP

SO THAT'S

WHY...

I CAN'T

SAY TO  
BE A GOOD  
REPLACEMENT  
FOR HIS  
FATHER, BUT...

I'LL HELP  
YOU TAKE  
CARE OF HIM  
THE BEST  
WAY I CAN.

Who-



Crap, he's  
approaching!

I haven't  
yet!



What am  
I saying?!



THANK YOU!

YOU'RE  
ALWAYS SO  
RELIABLE...



Aaaaa!



This is so  
relaxing!

DID  
YOU JUST  
PROPOSE  
TO ME?



Either way,  
it would've been

hard on  
Makoto.

IF I ONLY  
THINK OF  
MYSELF,

THEN  
IT WON'T DO  
THEIR ANY  
GOOD.



What was I

going to say  
after that?



BUT  
SHE'S THE  
ONLY ONE

WHO  
CAN BE HIS  
MOTHER...



THEY  
SAID HE'S  
CONSTANTLY  
BEEN SLEEPING  
IN CLASS.

FROM HIS  
SCHOOL THIS  
MORNING...

I GOT  
A CALL



What  
was it

that I  
wanted to  
hear from  
him?



ALSO,

HIS HABIT OF  
ALWAYS ACTING  
SO SPOILED  
NEEDS TO  
CHANGE.



YEAH

MOST KIDS  
WE ARE GO  
TO BE VERY  
SERIOUS

YOU  
THINK IT'S  
BECAUSE

HE'S  
ALWAYS  
STANDING UP  
SO LATE?



I guess...  
you're right...  
(A doing  
parent.)



BUT IF HE DID  
STOP, THEN  
YOU'D GET  
LONELY...

That's  
probably one  
aspect of



So it

when he tells me  
his worries about  
Makoto like this.

HE SHOULD  
JUST

HURRY AND  
GROW UP...



BUT  
I GUESS,  
EVEN NOW,  
YOU'RE THE  
ONE TAKING  
CARE OF  
ME.

IF HE  
DID, THEN  
YOU'D BE THE  
ONE GETTING  
TAKEN CARE  
OF.

IT'D BE  
EASIER FOR  
ME THAT WAY,  
SO I'M FINE  
WITH IT...

I'M NOT  
DRUNK...

ARE  
YOU DRUNK  
ALREADY?

MYOBI...



OTONARI-  
SAN,

YOU  
WOULDN'T  
SLEEP IN A  
PLACE LIKE  
THIS.



I MEAN, THERE ARE JUST

SO MANY THINGS I CAN'T DO ON MY OWN...

B  
A  
D  
U  
M  
P



O'GOD!!  
GAIL!!

I'M NOT GETTING YOUNGER!! OR ANYTHING...

WAIT A MINUTE!



ALL OF THE STRESS

I PUT ON YOU WOULD BE LESS TOO...



I...

I REALLY SHOULD

GO TO THAT GAIL...



VENOM?

What

the...

WAG...?

Hee?

WHEN HAVE  
I EVER SAID  
YOU WERE  
A BURDEN  
TO ME?



YOU'RE  
ALWAYS LIKE  
THIS!

SH-

IF I'D  
THOUGHT  
OF YOU AS A  
BROTHER...

No matter  
how hard I try

THEN I  
WOULD'VE  
JUST GUT AND  
LEFT YOU A  
LONG TIME  
AGO!

[can't  
stop shouting]

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DO YOU  
HAVE ANY  
IDEAS?

...  
HOW DO YOU  
THINK I'VE BEEN  
FEELING THE  
ENTIRE TIME  
I'VE BEEN BY  
YOUR SIDE?

DO YOU KNOW  
HOW I FEEL  
EVERY TIME  
YOU TALK  
ABOUT YOUR  
WIFE?



AT LEAST  
THAT'S WHAT I'VE  
BEEN TELLING  
MYSELF

YOU  
ONLY EVER  
THINK ABOUT  
YOUR WIFE...

AND I KNOW  
IT COULDN'T  
HELPED...

ALL  
THIS TIME.





I've always  
thought

about  
how great it'd  
be if he just  
forgot about  
his wife,

but...



If what  
I have  
right now  
is going  
to end,

then I'd  
rather just  
leave it  
alone.

I was fine  
just being  
able to spend  
every day  
with him.

BUT NOW  
YOU'RE  
GOING  
TO USE  
IT AS AN  
EXCUSE

AND  
TAKE AWAY  
THE ONLY  
PLACE

THAT  
I'VE EVER  
BELONGED  
ALL THESE  
YEARS!!



But now...



THEN I WON'T  
BOOTHER YOU  
ANYMORE...

IF YOU  
DON'T WANT  
ME TO GET  
ANY CLOSER  
THAN THIS...

All this  
time...

why was I...



I didn't

BECAUSE  
I LIKE YOU...

want to say it

But everything

I

just comes pouring out

CAN'T...

NABUTA WO KURIKAESHII **IT'S THE END**



瞬間をくりかえして

Mabuta wo kurikaeshite (2013) [OVA]



DADDY?

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HEART'S  
WRONG?







ALL THIS  
TIME...



DADDY NEVER  
UNDERSTOOD

WASH AT  
ALL...

On  
my way  
home,

I remembered  
something  
from our past.



Before I  
realized it...

She...

he'd  
already made  
a special  
place for me  
to belong



I'd always  
avoided  
people  
because  
I found it  
difficult

to deal  
with them,  
but Otou-  
san kept  
reaching  
out to me...



I'd never  
even thought  
of losing  
him.

Even  
knowing  
that she'd  
always be  
there too.



That place  
always felt  
so at ease...

It made  
me want to  
stay by his  
forever.



I love you so much.



I didn't  
want to  
over

Not in  
place by his  
side.



Over



So why can't  
it be me?

I've thought about it  
hundreds of times!



no matter  
how many times  
I go back to  
that thought...

But still

OF ALL THE  
HUNDREDS  
OF THINGS  
I'VE THOUGHT  
ABOUT IT,

I WAS  
NEVER ABLE  
TO GIVE  
YOU UP.

I will...

GOOD  
MORNING.

Even then...

I JUST  
DON'T KNOW  
WHEN TO  
QUIT...



WHY?



I'M

NOT  
APOLOGISING  
FOR WHAT I  
SAID LAST  
NIGHT.

AND  
BLAME

I'VE  
CHOSED  
NOT TO  
HOLD BACK  
ANYMORE.



I CAN'T  
JUST DITCH  
YOU.

I DIDN'T  
THINK...

YOU'D  
COME.



HEAT?



BUT  
YOU SAID  
THAT...

I WASN'T  
REFERRING  
TO WORK.



BUT

BUT  
THAT'S

ONLY IF  
I'M STILL  
ALLOWED  
TO BE  
HERE.

IF YOU

HATE ME  
NOW, THEN  
I CAN  
QUIT...

AND  
I WON'T  
BOOTHER  
YOU EVER  
AGAIN.

DRIVER

HE

THAT

LINE...















FINE,  
I WON'T  
TOUCH YOU  
ANYMORE.



FROM  
NOW ON,  
YOU'RE NOT  
ALLOWED  
TO PASS  
BEHIND  
ME!

EH?!

Don't  
be for the  
moment



STAY OVER  
AT MY PLACE  
TODAY.

THERE'S  
SOMETHING  
I GOTTA ASK  
YOU .





AND PICKED UP  
REHARRINGTON?

I WENT TO  
THE GYM!



AND WHEN  
I WAS  
JUST BEING  
SINCERE.

WHAT IF...



If only  
you could

OTOSHI-  
SAN?

I'M  
SLEEPY...

feel the  
way I do...

THEN WHAT  
WOULD I  
DO ABOUT  
THE SHOP?

I'D GIVE  
UP AND GO  
LOOK FOR AN  
ACTUAL JOB.



COULDN'T  
YOU JUST  
WORK THERE  
WITH YOUR  
WIFE?

YEAH,  
ME TOO...

GOOD  
NIGHT...



THAT PLACE  
ONLY NEEDS  
TWO PEOPLE  
TO RUN IT...



○.MI. A.I





So this  
day

Really  
done...

THAT DADDY'S  
GONNA BRING  
HOME / NEW  
ACCOMPT?

DON'T  
FORGET  
MAMA...

HOW ABOUT  
WE EAT SOME  
BREAKFAST?

WELL...?

DON'T  
WORRY...

I'M SURE  
DADDY WILL  
REFUSE  
THEM...

Will he  
really?

I DON'T  
REALLY  
NEED

ANYTHING  
ELSE...

AS LONG  
AS DADDY,  
MAMA,

AND  
GRAN ARE  
HERE...

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Makoto is  
so much  
stronger

than we...

—

...

AREN'T YOU  
TAKING A LITTLE  
TOO LONG TO  
THINK THINGS  
THROUGHT?







"AND I  
WOULDN'T  
BOOTHER  
YOU EVER  
AGAIN."



I DON'T

REALLY  
WANT ANY  
OF THOSE  
THINGS...

BUT...



THEN

I'VE  
THOUGHT  
ABOUT IT.

TELLING ME  
TO RUN THE  
STORE WITH  
SOMEONE  
OTHER THAN  
YOU...



...

MY...  
BOOKS...



I DON'T  
EVEN  
WANT

TO THINK  
ABOUT A TIME

WHEN  
YOU'RE NOT  
BY MY SIDE.



I HAVE

HOLES IN  
'EM TODAY  
TOO...



HAVE?

I SAID  
MY SACKS!



WAS ...

YOU.

THE ONLY  
PERSON  
WHO SAID THAT  
IT WAS FINE

I MEAN...



DIDN'T THAT  
JUST PROVE THAT  
I SHOULD BE  
WITH YOU?



SHOULD  
I GIVE  
YOUR SOCKS  
FOR YOU?

...  
JUST  
STAY OVER  
TONIGHT  
'SOO ...

!!



WHY DON'T  
YOU COUNT  
THE NUMBER  
OF TIMES I WINK  
WHILE YOU'RE  
AT IT?



# アイネ・クライネ

*Ein kleine*



THAT'S HOT

THAT'S SO NICE

I wish I had one just like it...

KRUGHA

YOUR FOUNTAIN PEN IS A REALLY NICE COLOR... IT'S PRETTY TOO!

WELL, YEAH... I'VE WANTED ONE

FOR A WHILE AND HAD TO GO THROUGH A LOT TO GET IT.

Yess!

I'm extremely fond of pretty things!

I CAN'T REFUSE YOU, LUCIA...

WELL, I GUESS IT'S THIS PEN'S DESTINY TO BELONG TO YOU...





There's nothing

In the world that I can't get my hands on...

Life is pretty cozy...

AHH...

IT'S SO NICE TODAY!



It didn't take long for me to become like her...

Thanks to my mother, who likes to dress flashy.

I've been surrounded by beautiful things ever since I was little.



SACRILEGE?

IS SOMEONE SLEEPING ON THE LAWN?

?



Sindre



WHAT  
A PRETTY  
PENDANT!



TRYING TO  
SERVISE ME SO  
EARLY IN THE  
AFTERNOON?

I WONDER  
HOW A PUPPY WOULD  
REALLY USE  
PRETTY COLOR...

UWA!

I WANT  
A CLOSER  
LOOK...



IT'S  
THAT!

WHAT I  
WANT, ISN'T  
YOU...

JUST  
KIDDING!

No  
way!

Wha-?



LEAVE  
LEAVE  
HIDEAWAY!

WHAT'S  
YOUR  
NAME?

BEFORE THAT,  
SHOULD'N'T  
YOU ASK FOR  
MY NAME?

What's  
the name  
of that  
stone's?



SHIT!

OH AND BY  
THE WAY,  
I MADE THE  
PENDANT SO  
YOU WOULDN'T  
FIND IT ANY-  
WHERE.

SURELY

GOT  
IT FROM MY  
PARENTS...

WHAT'S  
THE NAME  
OF THAT  
STONE?

OK THEN  
LEAVE







IF YOU  
CAN GET ME  
TO LIKE YOU,

HOW  
ABOUT  
THIS?

I KNOW!

HEART

THEN I'LL  
GIVE THIS  
PENDANT  
TO YOU FREE  
OF CHARGE.



BLINK

IF YOU  
DON'T WANNA,  
THEN IT'S  
FINE...

No way!  
Why do I  
have to--  
By

WHAT?!

W-

blink



I really  
want that  
pendant  
and...



Someone  
important...

SO  
WHAT'RE  
YOU  
GONNA  
DO?



THIS  
PENDANT  
IS KINDA  
IMPORTANT  
TO ME  
SO I  
ONLY WANT  
SOMEONE  
ESPECIALLY  
IMPORTANT  
TO HAVE IT.

WHA?







I WONDERED  
IF HE DOES  
THIS WITH  
OTHER  
PEOPLE  
TOOT

O

NOT  
A BAD  
FELLOW,  
AM I?

YOU  
REEM OF  
COMFORT.

SO CLOSE?

Whoa...

He has nice lips...

What  
I wanted

was...

I wanted

THIS IS  
HOW...



NO WAY...

THIS...

IT'S...



YOU GIVE A KISS.



EVEN THOUGH HE WAS SUPPOSED TO FALL FOR ME...!

I've fallen in love with him!

I don't believe this!

LUCY!



SHOULD I?

THAT KIND OF THING...















AND  
I ALSO  
KNOW...



AND  
THE FACT  
THAT YOU  
NEED TO BE  
MORE AWARE  
OF YOUR  
SURROUND-  
INGS,

I KNOW  
WHO YOU  
WERE EVEN  
BEFORE  
THAT DAY,

I ALSO  
KNOW THAT  
YOU LIKED  
PRETTY  
THINGS...



THAT I'VE  
ALWAYS

LIKED YOU.



YOU...

LIKE ME  
TOO, DON'T  
YOU?



COME  
HERE.

LUCA...



I'm  
ALL  
YOURS!



Eine  
kleine!



that  
I've ever  
felt this  
way.

THAT'S  
NOT  
FAIR!

This is  
the first  
time.



BUT

I LIKE  
YOU

SHOCK...

But it can't  
be helped...

so I'll become  
your's too.



◆END

Before



Aota Harada



Shingo Yoshimoto



After!



Arata Torada

Shugo Yoshimoto

**MABUTA WO KURIKAESHITE  
-EXTRA-**

**CHEERS!**

**KLEANK!**

11/11/11

[illegible]

WILL OF  
COURT  
JURY

OTHERS - 24%  
 ABOUT 7% FOR  
 OTHERS AND  
 FULLY LOANED

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Hav

100

COME TO THINK OF IT, HAVN'T YOU HEARD SOMETHING A LITTLE LATER?

ON...

COME TO  
THINK OF IT,  
HAPPY YOUR  
SISTER HAS  
WON A LITTLE  
LOVE!





WHAT  
SHOULD  
I DO?



I WON'T  
HAVE AN  
ENOUGH  
LIFE...



DOES THAT  
MEAN...

WELL, YOU'RE  
GONNA LET  
ME DO IT?



OUT

I DIDN'T  
THINK...



STUPID...

HURRY UP  
BEFORE I  
SCREAM UP.



THE DAY  
WOULD  
COME  
WAS!

slide

ALL...

TO BE  
ABLE TO  
TOUCH YOU.  
LIKE THIS.



ALL...

SCREAM

ALL

ALL













TWINKLE AGAIN ©END

Postscript



✦ Thank you very much for picking up that book out of all the hundreds you could've picked. This makes my fourth comic to date! Sorry for including all those chibis on the cover. It probably seems childish now.

✦ I also tried to link things better this time, but there were quite a few times where I was making it up as I went along. XD I may not have done my best work, but I know I'll manage it someday... somehow!

✦ There's one thing I want to put on the record: I'm sorry the latest story I initiated was just a gon manga (but most bang sore)... I still had fun.

✦ Finally, thank you so much for sticking with me until the end! I'm really going to give it my all next time, so please... be gentle with me. I love you! XD

Thank you so much!!

Check out my blog  
for more!

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(As of March 2005)

ダリアコミックスをお楽しみいただけていますと喜んでおります。この巻を選んでのご意見・ご感想・ファンレターをお待ちしております。

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# Iaiwaru na Kuchizuke

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EXCLUSIVE NEW  
LIMITED EDITION  
BOOK STORY







Everyone thinks  
there is only so  
they could say

**THE END**



# After WORD



## "A Little More Than Yesterday"

One of my assistants ended up having to go to the dentist a lot (she's had 12 cavities!) so I thought I'd incorporate that into a story. In the end, after her teeth were taken care of, they turned out really weird... they have uniqueness, uniqueness I say!



## "Open Your Hands"

In this one, I wrote the story of Harada and Shingo who show up in chapter 1 as kids (Harada was Haru-fuse's student and Shingo was the crying kid in the office.) The setting is about nine years later. Since I've always wanted to draw a warm-hearted story like this, I was really happy.



## "Swear to Kuchizaké"

I got a few delusions from thinking "if a character's friend's brother were handsome, then they can so get it on!" And since my editor kept saying: "draw cool-looking scenes!", somehow it progressed into me... trying my best to get a story like this out.



Thank you so much for picking up "Ijwaru na Kuchizaké!"

This I got to do a little extra for the limited edition copies! It was fun.



The thing is, I usually write a little preface for all the works I put in a volume, but due to certain circumstances I couldn't do it in the actual volume so I thought I'd do it here. But for those who don't want to read it, you don't have to just please bear with it. But if you haven't read the manga yet, it'll spoil the plot so please read the manga first!



## "Mabuta wo Kankoshibite!"

There's this new pittoresc place nearby so I decided to write a story about a popular owner and one of the workers there. It's kind of a common shogun, and I'm not sure, but I think maybe Makoto was meant to be a girl at first.



## "Five Rivers"

I was told to watch the range of things that I draw so I tried challenging myself to something like this! I got the feeling that this isn't what they meant, but truthfully... I really just wanted to draw a cute man character with bow, please don't be angry with me. I had the image of Luca as a drag queen when I drew him.

Sorry for writing so much... and thank you for sticking with me through all of this!

— Kobato Mabara

